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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

Gerard J. Tate

Application No. 10/736,114

Filed on December 15, 2003

Re Office Action of May 13, 2005

Title: **FASTENER FOR USE  
WITH SHOES**

Group Art Unit 3677

Examiner Lavinder

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

As part of a Request for Continued Examination in response to the Office Action dated May 13, 2005, please amend the application identified above as follows: